STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-108 - Cancelled

109. (New) A compound selected from the group consisting of

$$(R_6)p$$

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and

$$P(R_6)$$
 $(R_6)p$
 $(R_6)p$
 $(R_6)p$

wherein R_1 is independently selected from the group consisting of H; halogen; C_{14} alkyl; C_{14} alkenyl; C_{14} alkynyl; --COR₄ where R_4 is H, C_{14} alkyl or C_{14} alkoxy; C_{36} cycloalkyl; aryl; cyano; nitro; trihalomethyl; oxo; or $-(CH_2)_n$ -X- $(CH_2)_m$ - $(R_5)_o$ -- where X is O, S or N, n is 0-3, m is 0-3, o is 0-1, and R_5 is methyl or H_{1.2}, each R₆ is independent selected from the group consisting of H; halogen; C_{1.4} alkyl; C_{1.4} alkenyl; C_{14} alkynyl; --COR₄ where R_4 is H, C_{14} alkyl or C_{14} alkoxy; C_{36} cycloalkyl; aryl; cyano; nitro;

trihalomethyl and oxo wherein each p is independently 1 or 2 and Y is $-(C(R_7)_z)_2$ --, wherein R_7 is independently defined identically to R_1 and z is independently 1 or 2, said compound further having selective agonist activity at the $\alpha 2B$ or $\alpha 2B/\alpha 2C$ adrenergic receptor subtype(s) over the $\alpha 2A$ adrenergic receptor subtype, and all pharmacologically acceptable salts, esters, stereoisomers and racemic mixtures thereof.

- 110. (New) The compound of claim 109 wherein Y is CH₂-CH₂.
- 111. (New) The compound of claim 109 wherein R_1 , R_6 and R_7 are independently H; halogen; C_{14} alkyl; C_{14} alkenyl; or C_{14} alkynyl.
- 112. (New) The compound of claim 109 wherein Y is CH_2 - CH_2 and R_1 , R_6 and R_7 are independently H; halogen; $C_{1,4}$ alkyl; $C_{1,4}$ alkenyl; or $C_{1,4}$ alkynyl.
- 113. (New) The compound of claim 112 wherein R_x is H and x is 2.
- 114. (New) The compound of claim 112 wherein at least one R_s is H.
- 115. (New) The compound of claim 114 wherein at least two R₆ are H.
- 116. (New) The compound of claim 115 wherein at least three R₂ are H.
- 117. (New) The compound of claim 116 wherein at least six R_6 are H.
- 118. (New) The compound of claim 116 wherein eight R_s are H.
- 119. (New) The compound of claim 111 wherein R_1 is H and x is 2.
- 120. (New) The compound of claim 119 wherein at least one R_s is H.

- 121. (New) The compound of claim 120 wherein at least two R_6 are H.
- 122. (New) The compound of claim 121 wherein at least three R_6 are H.
- 123. (New) The compound of claim 122 wherein at least six R_6 are H.
- 124. (New) The compound of claim 123 wherein eight R_6 are H.
- 125. (New) The compound of claim 124 in which R_i is H and x is 2.
- 126. (New) The compound of claim 125 in which Y is -CH₂-CH₂-.